

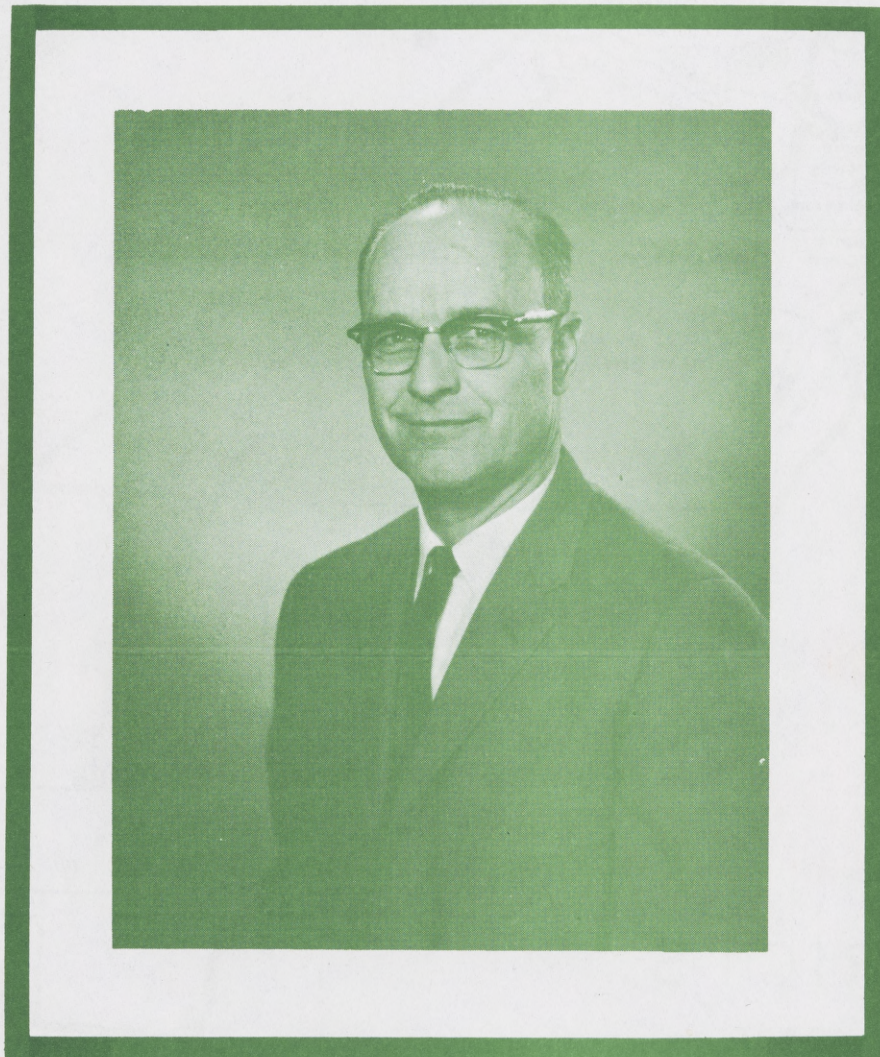
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## BIOGRAPHY OF HOWARD MOORE

Deputy State Forester

Sacramento Headquarters

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Howard Moore was born September 19, 1919 in Los Angeles, California. He is a third generation Californian. Moore attended public schools in Orange County and graduated from high school in 1937. After his graduation from high school, he decided to try his ability as a crewman on a private yacht and so he traveled to the Bering Sea, the Gulf of Alaska, and the Arctic Ocean.

After returning from this cruise, he went to work as a forest fire crewman in the Orange Ranger Unit. Moore worked under Ranger Joe Sherman. Being young and energetic, he decided to make forestry his career. Not being too concerned with the importance of education at that time, he decided to stay with the Division. However, Ranger Sherman said that if he did not return to school he would fire him, and stressed the importance of obtaining an education. Given that choice, Moore decided that maybe he better go back and obtain further schooling. He started at Santa Ana Junior College in 1938 where he spent two years before leaving in 1940 for a temporary tour of duty in Uncle Sam's U. S. Navy.

After a short tour of duty, he returned to Santa Ana Junior College for a year, where he did post-graduate work. Following this post-graduate work, he again returned to a tour of duty in the U. S. Navy on a permanent basis in June of 1941. He was a general service line officer and captain of a sub-chaser. He was also a captain on a landing force support vessel which was equipped with 5-inch rocket launchers to give close support for landing troops during World War II.

During his tour of duty on the sub-chaser, he spent over a year in the North Pacific and Aleutian Islands. Moore said that his tour of duty in the Aleutian Islands was something that he would never forget, because a sub-chaser is not a very large vessel to begin with, and secondly he said that he thought it had shrunk by one-half during the time that he was assigned to this ship. He is now retired from the Navy as a Commander.

Moore was released from active duty in December 1945 and he returned to school in February of 1946. He attended the University of California at Berkeley and graduated in 1948 with a Bachelor of Science in Forestry. Following his graduation, he started with the Division of Forestry as an Assistant Ranger in the El Dorado Ranger Unit. He was the last person in the Division who was appointed directly to Assistant Ranger without having been a Foreman, Driver, or Trainee. He left the El Dorado Ranger Unit in 1950 and was appointed to Associate Ranger in District III Headquarters. In May of 1953 he was transferred to Sonora as Acting Ranger of the Tuolumne Ranger Unit and was appointed civil service ranger in December of that same year. He was elevated to the position of Assistant Deputy on July 1, 1957 in District IV. And, on July 1, 1965 he was promoted to Deputy State Forester in charge of Fire Prevention on the State Forester's Staff in Sacramento.

One of Moore's hobbies is collecting and polishing rocks, agate, and jade, and he makes baroque jewelry. He plays golf whenever he gets a chance and spends as much time as possible with his son on fishing trips.

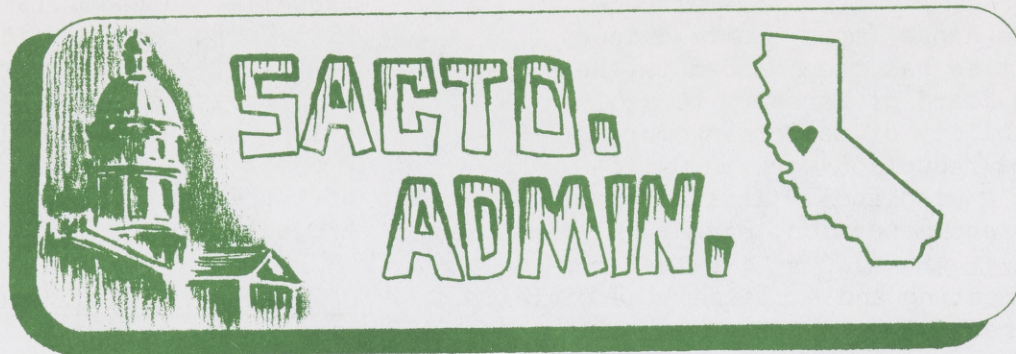


Howard Moore is a member of the Society of American Foresters, California Rural Firemen's Association, and the California Peace Officer's Association. He is married and has one son. Moore said his wife, Lois, at one time was quite a good tennis player. However, she now likes the more quiet life of golf and bridge. She was born in Salt Lake City, but having moved to California when she was six months of age, considers herself a native Californian, and is proud of it. Moore's son, Jeff, is 12 years old and is an accomplished little league baseball player. He is active in the school safety patrol. Moore indicated that he enjoys all sports activities and plays at all sports in school. The Moore family presently resides in Davis.









#### FIRE SUPPRESSION COSTS RECEIVED

In payment of fire suppression costs, \$130.17 was received from the responsible party that caused a wild-fire in April, 1968, through negligent operation of a cutting torch. The money was received after completing the first step of the Division's plan to recover firefighting costs through Small Claims Court. The fire occurred in the Tulare Ranger Unit area and was investigated by Assistant Ranger Orval Schonher and Fire Prevention Officer I Gene Hickman. In addition, a citation was issued by Assistant Ranger Schonher and the responsible person was also fined \$25 as a result of his negligent action.

#### STATE FORESTER HAS NEW ADDITION TO HIS FAMILY

On January 3, 1969 a very special event took place in Paradise, California. Mr. and Mrs. Francis Raymond became grandparents of a second granddaughter. Christine Elizabeth, weighing 7 pounds and  $\frac{1}{2}$  ounce, was born to Fred and Joie Raymond of Paradise. Waiting at home for Christine was her sister, Ninette, who was just 3 years old January 31.

#### OPERATION SNOW REMOVAL

During the month of February the Division assisted the Department of Parks and Recreation with snow removal from the roofs of state owned buildings in Squaw Valley, Donner and Calaveras Big Trees State Parks. Record break-

ing snowfall (250 to 450% of normal) in the Central and Southern Sierra mountains caused snow and ice to accumulate to depths of 6 to 12 feet on tops of the roofs and the buildings were in danger of collapsing. Weight of the snow and ice was estimated at 500 to 600 pounds per square foot of roof for some of the buildings.

#### RESCUE WORK, FLOOD FIGHTING AND MUD REMOVAL

Record breaking rainfall accumulation during most of January and February caused serious flooding, erosion, siltation and mud slides to canyon and low land areas of central and southern California. Orange County was probably the hardest hit and suffered the most damage to lives and property. Five people lost their lives and a dozen others injured at the Silverado Fire Suppression Station when a mud slide from the canyon wall practically covered all the buildings at the Station, while it was being used as an evacuee center. In the unincorporated areas of Silverado, Modjeska and Trabuco Canyons property damage and losses to governmental agencies alone will exceed five million dollars to buildings, roads, flood control, sanitation and water facilities, and miscellaneous.





## FOREST FIRE RESEARCH

The Range Improvement Advisory Committee has recommended to the State Board of Forestry to study the possibility of performing more hazard reduction work in California's wildlands. In line with this recommendation, Ranger Phillips met with the RIAC at its last regular meeting and explained the Division of Forestry's program of selective hazard reduction in the fuelbreak program. The Committee learned how fuelbreak systems are planned, constructed and maintained. The presentation included the thousands of man days that are devoted to this program annually and the large cost of maintaining the fuelbreak system.

## WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

The Division was represented at the Agency Public Law 566 Project progress meeting. Sacramento staff participated with District V and Santa Clara Ranger Unit in a review of the Public Law 566 and impact of fire protection study program with particular emphasis on the Upper Llagas Creek. Because this project has been approved by the House of Representatives and U. S. Senate and as soon as it receives its administrative approval, it will be approved for construction. The Division of Forestry completed its preliminary reviews of the Carpinteria Valley, Hungry Hollow, Stone Corral, Newman, Button-Willow, Mustang, Tynan Lake, Patterson, and New Jerusalem projects.

The Division in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service, District and unit personnel completed the field reconnaissance on the Clover Valley, Forbes Creek, Seigler Springs and Grand Canyon proposed Public Law 566 projects.

A statement of interest was submitted to the Department of Conservation on the U. S. Army Corps of Engineer's "initiation of a flood plan information study on Coyote Creek," Santa Clara County.

Dates have been established for the annual review of the joint fire

protection plans on the Black Butte, Isabella, Success, Terminus and Pine Flat Corps of Engineer's Project.

A review of the right-of-way situation on the Escondido Public Law 566 Project was completed by Ray Tatian of the Escondido Creek Public Law 566 Project.

## COMPREHENSIVE FRAMEWORK STUDIES

Budget cuts in the U. S. Department of Agriculture allotment for Type I River Basin studies have forced a major acceleration of the timetable for the Comprehensive Framework Study. Several meetings of the Watershed Management, Minerals and Land Resources and Use work group were held to discuss impact of the new timetables. During these sessions the outlines of the Watershed Management Appendix and the Land Resources and Use Appendix were discussed from the standpoint of total context, method of writing, and specific assignments of lead responsibility for writing various sections of the Appendices.

Additional work was done on the Urban Land Use expansion study. Earlier projections of takeover of other Land Uses by Urban-Industrial expansion by the year 2020 were prepared. These projections were interpolated to provide estimates of take over acreage for the intermediate time periods of 1980 and 2000.

A major project undertaken this month is the preparation of the formal recording forms which will make up the MLADS II library of basic Land Resources and Use data. For the six basic data fields (Soils, Ownership, Cover Type, Land Use, County Areas, and Land Resource Areas) there will be 11 separate types of record form which will provide tabulations by Hydrologic Subregion, by California Region, and by the states of California and Oregon. Designed to serve only the needs of data input to work groups these forms are reproducible in very limited quantity. Discussion was held on the number and type of cross-runs or cross-tabulations needed from the



basic six data fields. The 16 expected to generate some 28 additional recording forms, some quite complex and some quite simple.

#### FOREST PRACTICES

The Governor appointed James W. Timmons of Arcata to the Redwood Forest Practice Committee on February 3, to replace Bernard Agrons who moved out of the state.

#### RANGE IMPROVEMENT

The Range Improvement Advisory Committee to the Board of Forestry met February 19. Because of conflicting opinions in the insurance industry as to whether liability damages from an escaped controlled burn includes suppression costs, the Committee requested the Board of Forestry and the State Forester to seek the advice of the State Insurance Department.

#### PUBLICATIONS

According to State Forest Note No. 37 issued by the Division of Forestry in February, recently compiled data from reports received from timber operators during the past year shows that timber production in California during 1967 was 5.1 billion board feet.

#### IMPROVED RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR FORESTRY EMPLOYEES DISCUSSED

Deputy Director Mayfield, Chief Deputy Moran, Deputy Pomponio and John Swanson met on February 21 with Lock Richards and Bill Crookshank of CDFEA to discuss future actions needed to implement a proposal for an improved retirement system for Forestry employees.

#### PROJECT TRANSITION ENROLLMENT

A letter was received from Deputy Dunow recently, attaching a letter from Ranger Jack Amundsen of the Tuolumne Ranger Unit advising of a new Army project called "Project Transition Enrollment," which is designed to allow men to adjust to civilian life and em-

ployment prior to discharge from the Army. Through this project the Tuolumne Ranger Unit has accepted a soldier, who is to be discharged within six months, to work in a training capacity. There is no cost to the State for the use of this trainee since the Army continues to pay these trainees as well as take care of their medical needs. Weekly performance reports are filed with the Army.

#### STATE FOREST REGULATIONS BEING WORKED ON

Deputy Moore presented to the Board of Forestry amendments to the rough draft of the State Forest Regulations, made since their January meeting. At the request of the Deputy Director the Board took no action toward setting a hearing date for hearing these regulations and the subject will again appear on the Board's agenda for their April meeting.

#### ANNUAL CFPC MEETING

Firm dates of May 20 and 27 for the Annual California Fire Prevention Committee meetings were received from the Pacific Telephone Company in San Francisco and the Southern California Edison Company in Los Angeles.

#### DR LEE BURCHAM AND ASST. DEPUTY BURNS TOUR CARTWRIGHT AERIAL

Dr. Lee Burcham and Assistant Deputy Burns were given a tour of Cartwright Aerial Survey by Wayne Hubbard. A photo was selected, courtesy of Cartwright Aerial Survey, for the cover of the State Forester's Annual Report.

#### LE COORDINATOR BENNETT GOES TO ARIZONA TO INSTRUCT IN CLASSES

Law Enforcement Coordinator Deane Bennett instructed a class in law enforcement in Marana, Arizona for four days of a two-week school. The school was sponsored by the U. S. Forest Service in Washington, D. C. and Bennett was the only representative of any State agency instructing in or attending this school.



### CONSTRUCTION OF FIRETRUCK BODIES

On February 20, Mayfield, Pomponio, and Hastings met with Oliver and staff in the Office of Procurement to discuss the construction of firetruck bodies and the merits of Service Agreement versus Purchase Order.

### CALAVERAS COMBINED TIME REPORT PILOT PROJECT DISCUSSED

Representatives from the State Forester's Office and the Director's Staff met with Deputy Dunow and selected staff members to discuss the Calaveras combined time report pilot project. It appeared that the use of the new time report form which presents program time and monthly attendance on the same form was proceeding satisfactorily in the Calaveras Ranger Unit. The main questions appeared to be in connection with a proposed new procedure to send in the completed reports each month directly to the Departmental Personnel Office from the Ranger Units.

### ENGINEERING

On February 18 Chief Deputy Moran, Correction's Deputy Director Eklund and Deputy L. T. Petersen, along with Jim Dulitz, met with representatives of the Union Oil Company and later in the day with three members of organized labor. Organized labor considered the emergency ended when the oil well was sealed. This was debated, but a mutual agreement was made that the inmates would be phased out over a one-week period ending on February 25 as the last work day. Union Oil Company, through their clean-up contractors, will depend more heavily on "free labor" to finish the clean-up operation.

### LEGAL ACTIVITIES

Administrative Advisor DeLu spent considerable time working on fire extinguisher regulations, proposed regulations pertaining to portable power equipment, and an outline for promulgating procedures for future administrative regulations.

### STATE FORESTER ATTENDED NATURAL RESOURCES COUNCIL OF SAF

State Forester Raymond attended a meeting of the Natural Resources Council of the Society of American Foresters held in Roanoke, Virginia, on February 12 through 14.

### PROPOSED CONSOLIDATION OF FORESTRY CLASSES AT RANGER I LEVEL

Chief Deputy Moran and staff personnel from Management Services, Engineering and Camps, Fire Control, and Fire Prevention Sections met with Director's staff representatives to discuss the proposed consolidation of Forestry classes at the Ranger I level. The problems apparent in such a consolidation were identified.

### FORESTRY MEMBERS AND SOCIAL SECURITY

The P. E. R. S. Board of Administration held over our request to exclude "Forestry Members" from Social Security coverage until April 18. Employee representation at the hearing was excellent with 80 or more attending. In addition, over 200 letters had been received in favor of exclusion in contrast to only 9 opposed. Statements in support of exclusion were made by Deputy Director Mayfield, CDFEA representatives Lock Richards, Bill Crookshank, and Ed Dunton. Bill Payne presented P. E. R. S. staff analysis which recommended against our request.

### INMATE INCENTIVE PAY PROPOSED

Representatives from Engineering and Camps and Management Services Sections met to discuss a recent issuance regarding application of inmate incentive pay. Due to a limitation in funds for the application of the inmate incentive pay plan, it will be necessary to either obtain supplemental funds for this purpose or restrict application of the plan to stay within available funds.



MANAGEMENT SERVICES PERSONNEL MEET  
WITH DIRECTORS STAFF REPS

Messrs. Roxburg and Kemp from the Director's staff and Pomponio and Hacker of the State Forester's staff met with task force representatives from the Federal Government on February 12 to discuss ways to simplify procedures and eliminate duplication in reporting, accounting and auditing requirements imposed by granting agencies of the Federal Government on grantees.

INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT WITH PARKS AND  
RECREATION

The interagency agreement with Parks and Recreation providing for inmate labor to do conservation work in all of Parks' district is being amended to increase expenditure by \$2,500; it has been sent to Parks for approval.

DISTRICT III NEW HEADQUARTERS STILL  
UNDER DISCUSSION

On February 14, Petersen and Reinecker met with Gladish to discuss the District III Headquarters situation. The State College would like to have another two or three months in which to reach a decision concerning the disposal or long term leasing of the present District III Headquarters site located on State College property. The College was advised that we could not wait too long.

Additional legislative pressure is developing to locate a new headquarters site in El Dorado County.

STATE FOREST NOTE NO. 37 BEING  
PUBLISHED

State Forest Note No. 37 regarding timber production by California timber operators for 1967 has been published and is being distributed. Production was 5.1 billion board feet or slightly above 1966.

SACRAMENTO COUNTY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS  
TOURED DAVIS NURSERY

On February 11, a group of Sacramento County School administrators made a tour of the Davis Nursery, and on February 14, the silviculture class of U. C. School of Forestry and Conservation made a tour of the same facilities.

COYOTE BURN STUDIED BY GUNTER AND  
F. FRANK

L. Gunter, of the State Forester's Office, and F. Frank, of District V, on February 10 and 11, checked study plots on the old Coyote Burn in Santa Barbara for erosion losses due to recent storms.

SUMMARY OF EMERGENCY ACTIVITIES  
DURING RECENT FLOOD FIGHTING AND  
OIL REMOVAL PRESENTED

Chief Deputy Moran requested certain staff personnel to submit a summary of emergency activities performed in flood fighting and oil removal. This information was presented to a House Public Works Sub-Committee meeting at various locations in California during the week of February 10.

RETIREMENT FORMULA CHANGE BY  
DIVISION PERSONNEL

Some 43 of the 515 eligible Division employees chose to change their service retirement formula from that of Forestry/Wardens to the 1/60th or Miscellaneous formula during the PERS election that ended February 3. PERS Membership Division Chief Ken Mayor advised that of the total 595 eligible Forestry and Fish and Game employees who mailed ballots, 43 elected to change, 125 responded that they wished to remain as they were, and 423 chose not to respond and will therefore stay under the Forestry/Wardens formula.

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#### FIRE COST REIMBURSEMENT RATE CALCULATIONS DISCUSSED

FPO Cy Holmes of District VI Headquarters met with Deane Bennett and Management Services staff representatives to discuss the possibility of revising our fire cost reimbursement rate calculations to provide one rate for all claims by the State regardless of the party responsible. In lieu of the reduced rate for agencies like the U.S. Forest Service, it was proposed that there be a reduction made from the final billing to recognize the reciprocal benefits from Forest Service fire protection capabilities.

#### JAMES TIMMONS OF HUMBOLDT COUNTY TO FILL VACANCY ON RFPC

The Governor's Office has advised that James Timmons of Humboldt County is being appointed to fill a vacancy on the Redwood Forest Practice Committee.

#### TEST TO PREVENT SPREAD OF ROOT ROT

Dan Dotta and Dr. Cobb, of U.C., met with Fago at Boggs Mountain State Forest on February 4 to plan another trail of treating stumps with borax in the 1969 timber sale area in order to prevent the spread of root rot.

#### HASTINGS ATTENDED MEETING OF NASF-USFS TASK FORCE IN WASHINGTON D.C.

John Hastings attended a meeting of the NASF-USFS Task Force in Washington, D. C. to begin consideration of development of a National Uniform Fire Reporting capability, and it is felt that good progress was made in getting this project started.

#### WAKLEE, ZIMDARS, AND PHILLIPS ATTEND MEETING IN ORLAND

On February 4, Waklee, Zimdars, and Phillips went to the Orland Manufacturing Company to view a prototype continuous mixing device for the mixing of Fire-Trol retardant. Although the prototype was a rather crude device, it

did accomplish its purpose, and future production models no doubt would be considerably more sophisticated in their operation.

#### 1969 MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL MEETING IN IONE

The 1969 Maintenance Personnel meeting was held at the Fire Academy in Ione, with 36 persons in attendance. The program included two days on electrical generating systems, one day on hydraulic control systems, one day on air brakes, one day on LPG Fuels and LPG Ignition, and a tour through the fire hose facility of the American Rubber Company at Emeryville.

#### FIRE PREVENTION ACTIVITIES

On February 5, Deputy Howard Moore presented a statement on behalf of the State Forester to the Board of Directors of the Bay Area Air Pollution Control District. The occasion was a hearing by the Directors for the purpose of banning backyard burning in one- and two-family residences. The statement presented did not support or oppose the proposal, but merely gave the results to be expected from such a ban, based upon CDF experience in Southern California. After two and one-half hours of testimony and discussion, the Directors voted the ban into effect as of January 1, 1970.

On the same date, Deputy Moore met with Norm Farrell, Jay Peterson, and Bob McBride at the Forest Service Regional Office in San Francisco regarding appointments and training standards for Forest Service employees appointed as State Peace Officers.

#### BLM AND SACTO REPRESENTATIVES MEET TO STREAMLINE CLEARANCE OF RADIO FREQUENCIES

A meeting was held with Sacramento representatives of the Bureau of Land Management in order to streamline clearance of radio frequencies used in radio vaults built on BLM land.



STATEWIDE RADIO USERS COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD

A meeting of the Statewide Radio Users Committee was held on January 7, at the National Guard Headquarters in Sacramento.

CARLOS W. HOWELL CASE CONTINUES

Notices of Non-adoption of the proposed decision by the Hearing Officer were served upon all respondents in the Carlos W. Howell case and the complete record of the hearing was forwarded to all members of the Board of Forestry for their review so that the Board might, should it desire, reach a decision in the Howell case at its next meeting.

WILDLAND RESEARCH PLAN

The Wildland Research Plan for California was last revised in 1964. This Plan, sponsored by the State Board of Forestry, summarizes the nature of California's wildland resource problems and expresses the research that is being conducted and that is still needed to solve those problems. The Plan is prepared by a committee of representatives appointed by the Board of Forestry from several wildland management and research agencies, both public and private.

The Plan's objective is to achieve a coordinated research effort among all public and private agencies concerned with wildland management in California. The Plan is also used extensively and importantly to acquaint legislators, administrators, budget analysts, and other interested people with California's wildland resource problems.

The Board of Forestry has asked the Wildland Research Planning Committee to revise the Plan so as to reflect today's research effort needed to improve the quality and overall use of California's wildland environment. Currently, new data and information are being gathered which will be organized into a revised Wildland Research Plan for California to be printed in April or May of this year.

NEW RADIO AND MICROWAVE EQUIPMENT  
CHECKED

Considerable new radio and microwave equipment was received from the manufacturers requiring checking for compliance with specifications and marking for distribution to the field. This included new Farinon microwave equipment which is the first of this brand purchased by the State.

WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

During the month of January, the Division was represented at meetings, workshops, and other activities as follows:

Davis-Grunsky Act

Review Completed and Comments Submitted

1. Mariposa County Water Agency's Agua Fria Project.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Statement of Interest Submitted

1. Coalinga Stream Group
2. Dos Rios Project

Statement of Interest Requested

1. Dos Rios Project

Review Initiated

1. Dos Rios Project

Review Completed and Comments Submitted

1. Goleta and Vicinity Project

DIVISION MAY SAVE \$'S ON MOBILE  
EQUIPEMENT

Several meetings were held to determine ways and means whereby the Division can purchase mobile radios from next fiscal year's funds. If this can be accomplished, the Division will be in a position to save \$75,000 to \$100,000 which is made up in a combination of a lesser unit cost of the radios and the fact that several hundred old radios would not have to be modified to be usable in our new radio system plan.



## COMPRESHESIVE FRAMEWORK STUDIES

The major effort this past month was devoted to the development of preliminary estimate of the acreages of Irrigated, Dry-farmed, Grazing, Timber Production, and "other" Land Uses that will be taken over by Urban-Industrial Land Use by the years 1980, 2000, and 2020. A sampling process using Division of Highways urban area projections and Comprehensive Framework Study Land Use maps was devised. From this process Land Use depletions were derives and subtracted from the 1965 Land Use Inventory.

One weakness in the sample technique was lack of really good samples in the wildland areas. Timber production depletion was on 46,000 acres to year 2020. One Mother Lode area County General Plan projects Urban-Industrial expansion of near 20,000 acres to year 1990 of which half is estimated to be in Timber Production Land Use.

Additional study of the true magnitude of timber production Land Use depletion was started by visits to the County Planning Directors of Nevada, Placer, and El Dorado Counties. The City of South Lake Tahoe was also contacted. Discussions were also held with the Lake Tahoe Study Project leader.

Concurrently with the Urban area study, the most current MIADS -2 computer was used to develop tabulations of Land Use by Cover Type for each of the 11 hydrologic subregions and also for the California Region Summary. These tabulations were revised and corrected as final corrections were made in the MIADS-2 program.

## INSTALLATION OF RADIOS IN AIR TANKERS

A final meeting was held with U.S. Forest Service representatives in San Francisco to review our common specifications for the installation of radios in air tankers.

## Bureau of Reclamation

Review Completed and Comments Submitted

1. Ventura River Project
2. Federal Power Permit Project Nos. 396 and 1625

## Public Law 566

Statement of Interest Requested

1. Butte Valley
2. Seigler Springs

Statement of Interest Submitted

1. Butte Valley

Review Initiated

1. Escondido Creek
2. Upper Pine Creek
3. Lower Pine Creek

Review Completed and Comments Submitted

1. Newman
2. McCoy Wash
3. San Juan Ridge
4. Carpenteria Valley

## Miscellaneous

1. Proposed Water Quality Control Program reviewed and comments submitted.
2. Official CDF assistance to State Association of Soil Conservation District's Forestry Committee.

## FOREST PRACTICES

On January 8, the Board of Forestry amended and approved five plans of timber companies to harvest trees in a different manner than that prescribed by State Forest Practice Regulations. Two plans were in the Redwood Forest District, two in the Coast Range Pine and Fir District, and one in the North Sierra Pine Forest District.

## FORESTS PESTS

A publication entitled, "Forest Pest Conditions in California - 1968" was issued by the Division of Forestry in late January. This report, which was prepared in cooperation with the California Pest Control Action Council, showed that



damage by forest pests is generally at a lower level than in recent years.

CLINT PHILLIPS RECEIVES A NATIONAL  
AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN FIRE CONTROL  
RESEARCH

A National Award for Excellence in Fire Control Research was presented to Clint Phillips, State Forest Ranger from the Sacramento Headquarters, at the State Capitol.

John W. Deinema, Regional Forester of the U.S. Forest Service made the presentation in ceremonies attended by John Harmer, Senator from Glendale, James Stearns, Director of the Department of Conservation, and Len Chatten, Deputy State Forester, representing State Forester Francis Raymond. In making the presentation, Deinema said that because of Phillips' efforts in quick field application of fire research results have greatly enhanced the effectiveness of research knowledge and the level of professional competency of the entire research organization. Deinema also said that during the last 10 years Phillips has demonstrated outstanding capabilities in working with people, in training, and in communicating fire research results to others, and he has provided excellent cooperation

between the U.S. Forest Service and the California Division of Forestry in all areas of mutual benefit.

Deinema went on to say that Phillips has gained wide recognition for his knowledge in the field of Chemical Fire Retardants used in the fire services air attack program. Following Deinema's statement, Senator Harmer introduced Director James Stearns from the Department of Conservation. Stearns also said that the Award is given in recognition for exceptional contributions in the field of Forest Fire Control.

Stearns said the Committee making the selection is composed of the U.S. Forest Service, National Association of State Foresters, American Forestry Association, and the American Forest Institute.

John Harmer, Senator from Glendale initiated the passing of a Senate Resolution in recognition of Clint Phillips' achievement in Fire Control Research.

Phillips is a graduate of the University of California School of Forestry in 1947. He is married and has two children. The Phillips family presently resides in Sacramento.



State Forest Ranger Clint Phillips is receiving his Award from Regional Forester, Jack Deinema









#### RANGER JAMIESON ATTENDED THE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

Ranger William Jamieson attended the Solid Waste Disposal Committee meeting at which the finalized draft of the report was completed. The report will now be reviewed by an independent consulting firm after which it will be presented to the County Board of Supervisors. As a result of Humboldt County's proposal to install containerized dumps, Assemblyman Belotti has introduced legislation to amend the Robbish Dump Permit law. The amendment, if passed, will allow the State Forester to deviate from the present clearance requirements if containers are used.

#### FIRE CONTROL IN DISTRICT I

In Del Norte County, the Division responded with two pumpers and an Assistant Ranger to the scene of a fire raging along the highway when a large tanker with trailer burst into flames and was completely destroyed, including its 7500 gallons of kerosene that it was bringing to Crescent City. The driver who escaped uninjured reported that he had to "bank" his rig when he discovered his brakes were not working in order to avoid entering the city without brakes. Crescent Fire Protection District personnel and equipment also responded to the fire. The recent heavy rains were credited with avoiding a forest fire. The tanks ruptured and flaming kerosene ran down a ditch and through an underground culvert along the highway, then plunged down a steep hill leaving a burning brook for several hundred feet as it wound through the woods. Clouds of black smoke were clearly visible for many miles, attracting many motorists to the scene.

#### DISTRICT I RANGER ATTENDS MEETING AT PRAIRIE CREEK STATE PARK

Ranger William Jamieson attended a meeting at Prairie Creek State Park in conjunction with other federal, State, and county representatives to discuss future planning in regard to fire problems that may arise in the new Redwood National Park. Another meeting will be held to further explore and prepare for any problems that arise.

#### JAMES WEAKLEY, NAPA COUNTY, IS RECUPERATING

James Weakley, Napa County firefighter, who was severely burned last summer, is recuperating from surgery-amputation of little finger on his right hand. Additional surgery will be required on both his right and left hand and plastic surgery on his face.

#### MISSING BOY FOUND IN MT. ST. HELENA SEARCH

Lake and Napa Ranger Unit personnel and one crew from Konocti Conservation Camp participated in a search for a lost mentally retarded 10-year old boy in the Mt. St. Helena area during a heavy snowfall on January 29. To the satisfaction of all concerned, the boy was found just before dark.

#### CONSERVATION CAMPS IN DISTRICT I

The flu bug was instrumental in cutting down on the activities in several of the District I Conservation Camps with supervisory personnel as well as the inmates being laid up.



#### CDF ASSISTS CHP IN RESCUE OPERATIONS

Forestry Superintendent Earl Young, Chamberlain Creek Conservation Camp, and three inmates were called upon to assist the California Highway Patrol in rescuing an injured man pinned under a Jeep near James Creek.

#### BLOOD DONATIONS FROM PARLIN FORK CC

The inmates from Parlin Fork Conservation Camp donated 45 pints of blood to the Sonoma County Blood Bank. The blood will be utilized by residents in the Ft. Bragg area. In addition, 3 inmates from Chamberlain Creek responded to an emergency call for blood at the Ft. Bragg Hospital.

#### REDWOOD REGION CONSERVATION COUNCIL HELD IN EUREKA

On January 17 the Annual Meeting of the Redwood Region Conservation Council was held in Eureka. For the first time the Education and Fire Prevention Committees met jointly to discuss children caused fires. Some 40 persons were in attendance, including representatives of the Department of Education, Fire Districts, City Fire Departments, and U.S.F.S.

As a result, plans are being made to develop and coordinate fire prevention training to the primary grade children in the Redwood Region. The Mendocino Ranger Unit has already started with a meeting between the Unit and County School curriculum coordinator. Also, in Mendocino County, at the request of the Director of Instructional Materials at the County Superintendent of Schools Office, the FPO Staff reviewed fire prevention films and made recommendations to the Director on whether to purchase or reject the films.

#### LAW ENFORCEMENT IN DISTRICT I

Members of the Humboldt County Fire Chiefs Association arson committee met on January 17 at the request of William Ferroggiaro, Jr., the Humboldt Co. District Attorney. It was attended by representatives from Arcata and Eureka Fire Departments, Humboldt Fire District #1, Humboldt

Co. Sheriff's Office and the Division of Forestry. Mr. Ferroggiaro is the representative to the Joint Legislative Committee for the Revision of the Penal Code for the California District Attorneys Association on the Section: Crimes Against Property.

The meeting was called to advise those in attendance of the proposed revisions in the arson sections and to obtain comments and suggestions. He was to appear and make a presentation to the Legislative Committee on January 22. Letters of comment and recommendation were drafted and sent to the District Attorney and the Fireman's Association by the Arson Committee and the Fire Chiefs Association.

#### NEW SET UP FOR SUSPECTS FILE

A central file system for fire starters, inclusive of children and matches to arson suspects, has been established at the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office. All fire subjects within Humboldt County are being asked to contribute information on known and suspect subjects. This system was set up through the County Fire Chiefs Association and will be available to all law enforcement and fire agencies.

#### ARREST IN NAPA COUNTY

Lee Soars, 14, of Dry Creek Road, was arrested and charged by the Napa County Sheriff's Office for burglary and arson for burning a structure on October 3 to cover his burglary. Ranger Unit FPO's assisted the Sheriff's officers with the arson investigation.

#### FIRE REPEATER RELEASED

John Jones, 20, of Yountville, Napa County, who has a 4-year history of matches and fires, was released from observation at Napa State Hospital and placed in a foster home. Good Luck, Sonoma Ranger Unit!

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## BOGGS MT. STATE FOREST

Two entomologists from the State Forester's Office looked over insect conditions on the forest this month. Several brood trees were located which will be treated before spring.

## SERVICE FORESTRY

The service foresters report that some 52 property owners were assisted during this report period. Most contacts were fir tree planting assistance. Mendocino Ranger Unit reports recently completed direct seeding, mainly by large timberland owners, totals over 1,200 acres. Humboldt Ranger Unit service foresters had six conversion affidavits this month. A total of 5,665 acres were involved. Of this total only 400 acres will be converted to grazing and the balance will be subdivided for homesites.

## JACK CLOWARD RECEIVES 25-YEAR SERVICE AWARD IN DISTRICT I

At a dinner held at the Shelter Cove Grotto in Redway on the evening of November 20, 1968, Forestry Superintendent Jack Cloward of the Alder Conservation Camp, was presented with a 25-year Certificate of Award along with a pin, by District I Camp Coordinator Oscar Hazelrigg. The dinner was held during the past fire season meeting of District I Forestry Superintendents and Conservation Camp Lieutenants.

Jack started his career with the Division of Forestry in San Diego County as a firefighter in 1941. He had the position of Assistant Truck Driver when he went into the service of his Country in the U. S. Navy in 1942. Following his return in 1947, he worked as a Forestry Fire Truck Driver and Forestry Foreman in Riverside County until March 1949 when he separated from the Division for personal reasons.

Jack was reinstated in 1951 in the position which is now called Forestry Foreman II, and worked in the Old Oak Glen and Morena Conservation Camps

in District VI and the High Rock Conservation Camp in District I. He received an appointment to Forestry Work Project Supervisor in August 1957 and was in charge of the construction of the Chamberlain Creek and Alder Conservation Camps.



Jack Cloward receiving his Certificate.



## **GROWING PAINS**

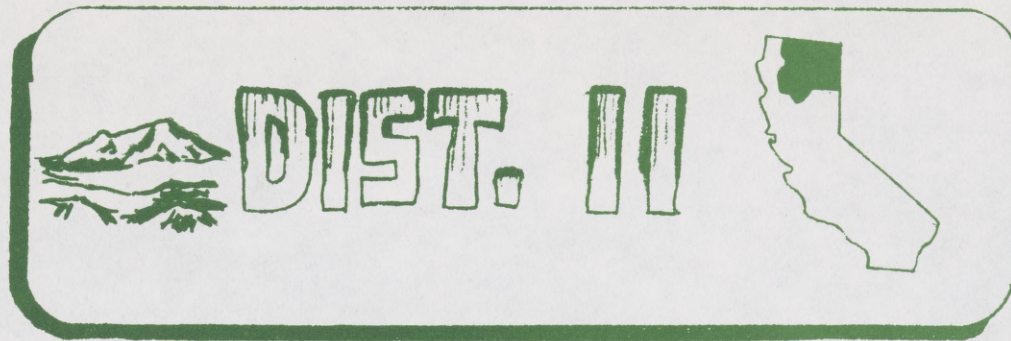
**' I hope you don't think me too young for marriage with your daughter, ' said the young man anxiously. ' That's all right, my boy, ' was the cheerful reply. ' You'll age fast enough!'**











### FIRE PREVENTION ACTIVITIES IN DISTRICT II

A site is available and plans are underway for a permanent fire prevention display at the Shasta County Fairgrounds. Construction will be from native materials and will have a rustic appearance.

### ORA SHEARMAN OF DISTRICT II REACHES 25 YEAR MARK

Forestry Foreman Ora L. Shearman was recently honored at a luncheon in Red Bluff to mark his completion of 25 years of service.

He was presented with a congratulatory letter from State Forester Francis H. Raymond, a lapel pin, and Certificate by Ranger William Siler.

Ora's tenure with the Division has been rather unique. Not only has he spent his entire time in the Red Bluff Area but he was originally hired as an intermediate stenographer. The philosophy of the Ranger at that time was "a Ranger Station is no place for a girl." Ora's position subsequently changed to Forestry Aid, Intermediate Clerk, TAU Assistant Ranger during the war, and finally to Forest Fire Dispatcher. He later changed to Forestry Foreman, the position he presently holds.

Ora is one of those rare persons who can handle any task in the office with equal proficiency. "Ask Ora, he can tell you," or "Don't worry, Ora is handling that," is often heard around the Ranger's Office.

Over the years, Ora has been a great help to fellow workers in processing letters for employee benefits and welfare. One such letter was the only identifying paper found on the body of a terminated employee who jumped off the Golden Gate Bridge.

Ora says he is sure the next 25 years will be a lot easier than the first!



Ora Shearman receiving certificate from William Siler.

Chief-Justice Marshall of the U. S. Supreme Court related that Governor Giles of Virginia once addressed a note to Patrick Henry:

"Sir,—I understand that you have called me a 'bobtail politician.' I wish to know if it be true, and if true, your meaning.—Wm. B. Giles."

Patrick Henry replied:

"Sir,—I do not recollect having called you a 'bobtail politician' at any time, but think it probable I have. Not recollecting the time of the occasion, I can't say what I did mean; but if you will tell me what you think I meant, I will say whether you are correct or not.—Very respectfully, Patrick Henry.









### FOREST MANAGEMENT IN DISTRICT III

Bill Maguire reports a total of 159 acres of thinning and release, 5 acres of pruning and 13 acres of planting completed by his cooperators under the Agricultural Conservation Program. The Forest Management Supervisor, Maguire, and Dan Dotta conferred with the Mosquito Abatement District personnel of the Greater South Lake Tahoe area concerning the District's pesticide activities; these are thought to have at least indirectly affected the recent abnormal increase of the Pine Needle Scale in that area.

### RANGER CHAMBERS MET WITH MEMBERS OF COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS AND THE CITY OF ANGELS

Ranger Chambers of Calaveras County met on numerous occasions with members of the County Fire Protection Districts and the City of Angels, regarding general fire program coordination and administration. He also contacted San Joaquin and Stanislaus County fire wardens regarding the pending Zone II change.

### OPEN HOUSE HELD IN VOCATIONAL TRADES AREA

On the night of December 30, 1968, open house was held in the Vocational Trades Area for the Sierra Conservation Center Employees, their wives and friends. Assistant State Forest Rangers Hawkins and Boro returned in the evening and conducted the visitors through the Forestry Training Unit and explained the Training Program.

### TAHOE PROJECT

The Project Leader attended five meetings of various Basin organizations concerned with public interest problems bearing upon conservation matters.

The winter use of salt on Basin Highways as this may affect roadside trees was discussed with State Division of Highway District officials. To date there has been no conspicuous apparent damage to roadside trees.

A talk on Basin development and modification conditions that may occur (or have) which can be detrimental to trees and preventive measures given to the El Dorado County Planning Commission.

### FIRE PREVENTION IN DISTRICT III

The community of Mountain Ranch, spurred on by its disastrous fire, is now formulating plans to establish a fire protection district.

### TAHOE BASIN

Forester Thomas made a field inspection of vegetation and soil erosion problems at the Sly Park Recreation Area with Bill Maguire, Ed Delfino (El Dorado County Agricultural Commissioner), and Ralph Phillips (El Dorado County Parks Director). Most of the top soil has been eroded away on two of the picnic areas covering approximately two acres.



#### RANGER WADDELL MET WITH MR. ALVIN LANDIS

Ranger Waddell (Nevada-Yuba County) met with Mr. Alvin Landis, Yuba County Counsel, to determine Landis' recommendation as to procedure in formation or annexation of fire districts in Yuba County. This was in connection with a feasibility study for rural structural fire protection in mountain Yuba County for the Yuba-Feather Businessmen's Association.

#### NEVADA-YUBA RANGER UNIT COMPLETES A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR FIRE PORTECTION

The Nevada-Yuba Ranger Unit completed a feasibility study for rural structural fire protection in mountain Yuba County for the Yuba-Feather Businessmen's Association. The study determined amount of taxable wealth within a 15-minute response area of each of our four Yuba County stations and also gave detailed estimates of costs of operation - minimum contractual driver positions at all or each of the four stations. Interest still seems to prevail in this area. Whether or not there is sufficient interest to proceed with the formation of a fire district to finance such an operation of course remains to be seen. Roy Landerman, member of the Yuba County Board of Supervisors representing mountain Yuba County, has encouraged this study and it is felt he would favor such a porposal if his constituents indicated sufficient interest for the measure.

#### FIRE PREVENTION ACTIVITIES IN DISTRICT III

Nevada County Building Ordinance is being amended to reflect the additional requirement that as a part of all new construction, wherein domestic water is supplied by individual wells, the electrical service will be installed so as to allow an uninterrupted electrical supply to the pump in the event of fire in the residential structure.

#### RANGER CHAMBERS MEETS WITH CITIZENS TO HELP DEVELOP LOCAL FIRE DEPT.

Ranger Chambers met on three occasions at formal meetings, with residents of Mountain Ranch, Sheepbranch, and Railroad Flat, relative to the various approaches to developing a local fire department. This included everything from a strictly volunteer fire department through districts to Schedule "A". It appears that the group will contact the Board of Supervisors and encourage their support to extension of the Schedule "A" Program.

#### DEPT. OF FISH & GAME AT WORK IN DISTRICT III

The Department of Fish and Game cited Neal Siller for violation of the Fish and Game Code, in that he had diverted a stream without the permission of Fish and Game. Siller plead guilty at Nevada City Judicial Court. Attorneys for Siller subsequently requested a hearing before the Court to advance arguments in favor of the Court putting aside the judgment in this matter. The hearing was scheduled for February 10.

#### SERVICE FORESTRY

Service Foresters Maguire and Wheeler attended a Christmas Tree Growers meeting at Berkeley. Wheeler gave a slide presentation on Christmas Tree species which was well received.

#### CAREER EXPLO "69" IN DISTRICT III

District III Fire Prevention Officers Goings and Vaughn presented the Forestry portion of a week-long Career Explo "69" career day program for Sacramento area high schools.

The students were bussed to the Cal Expo grounds where the McClatchy News Service sponsored Career Explo "69" was held. Fifty-nine different booths were set up and manned by business people and agency represen-



tatives from all over California. Some 725 students attended the 22 separate Forestry career lectures that were given during the 4-day period.

The program also included 2 evening sessions at which times students and parents visited the booths, asking various questions about selected career fields. More than 1,000 persons dropped by the forestry booth and asked questions during these evening sessions.

Goings and Vaughn estimate that more than 5,000 pieces of forestry career literature was handed out during this career exploration venture.



FPO Vaughan shown presenting a lecture to students.

#### RANGE IMPROVEMENT IN DISTRICT III

Arrangements were made with representatives of the Young Equipment Corporation for District III to take on loan a six-foot model of the "Tomahawk" Brushcrusher. This will be used for performance evaluation in 2 or 3 brush covered areas in the District later on this spring.

Most of the past work has been spent in planting for and in making necessary arrangements for the 1969 Fuelbreak Chemical Spray Program. This work included several days in the field with ranger unit personnel inspecting fuelbreaks, checking and making an inventory of equipment, requisitioning additional equipment and materials needed, revising guideline information and directives.

#### THE FOLLOWING TWO TIPS WERE SENT IN BY DISTRICT III

The first article was taken from Tips for Campers:

"Gas-operated refrigerators in pick-up coaches and travel trailers need cleaning every year or so to keep them cooling properly. Camper-service centers report this is the most common source of trouble coming to their shops for attention. The vents load up with soot, which, if allowed to accumulate too long, reduces the efficiency of the refrigerator and becomes a fire hazard.

The second article was taken from "Easy Does It IDEAS"

We poured leftover hot charcoals from our outdoor cookouts on the stump in our yard. Each time the coals burned deeper, and formed a larger crater. Before long the stump was gone, with no effort at all."

#### DISTRICT III RECEIVED LETTER OF APPRECIATION

The following letter was received by Jim Denny from Alan P. Tocchini, expressing his appreciation for help provided for Humboldt State forestry students during a recent Logging Conference:

"Dear Mr. Denny:

On behalf of all of the persons from Humboldt State College who attended the Sierra-Cascade Logging Conference in Sacramento last week, I thank you for making our stay in Auburn a most enjoyable one. I also thank the personnel stationed there for their hospitality during our stay. Once again, thank you, Sir.

Sincerely,  
/s/  
Alan P. Tocchini"



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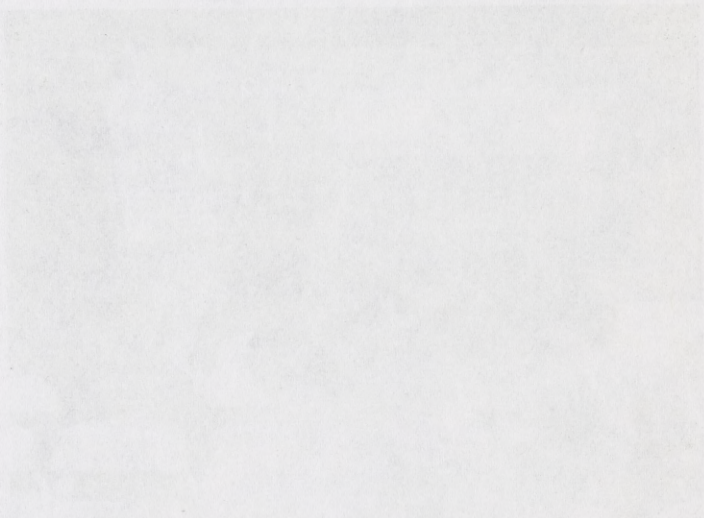
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#### CONSERVATION CAMP NEWS

Inyo-Mono crews spend about 1800 man hours in emergency work at Mammoth Lake removing snow from roof-tops and other related work. Project work continued at four eastside hatcheries and at Owens River and Buckley Ponds.

Miramonte crews spent 1040 man days in flood work, including considerable actual flood fighting and damage repairs, consisting of sand bagging and debris removal. Only small effort was spent in project work, basically on the Brookside Road clearing and working on forestry facilities.

Mountain Home crews devoted 551 man days to flood fighting and 355 man days to beach cleaning in the Santa Barbara oil seepage operation. Grade work primarily involved roadwork and maintenance and fire station grounds service.

Mt. Bullion Youth crews spent most of their time flood fighting and cleaning up from storm damage. Four crews filled sandbags at the Fresno City yards at the height of flooding at the end of January and also devoted contract time burning thistle and driftwood at San Luis Reservoir and working on campsites and fences at Millerton Lake State Recreation Areas.

#### LAW ENFORCEMENT IN DISTRICT IV

District Attorneys of central and southern San Joaquin Valley Counties were honored by the Central Valley Arson Investigators Association at a dinner

meeting in Fresno on February 20. District Attorney Robert G. Bereman, of Visalia, received the first annual award for outstanding achievement in arson and fire enforcement. The citation was presented by the Association's first president, FPO V Walt Bolster. Among the special non-member guests was Deputy Knowlton.

#### SERIOUS FLOOD DAMAGE EXPERIENCED IN DISTRICT IV

Drenching, warm rains which pummeled the state with record rainfall in January brought serious local flooding and storm damage to canyon and lowland areas both in the Sierras and on the valley floor. Division installations escaped major damage although roads and drainage systems require extensive repair in some areas. Part of the bird wire radio link between Mariposa Headquarters and Mt. Bullion Repeater was replaced after being damaged by a severe lighting storm in December.

#### FIRE CONTROL OFFICER ARNOLD SITS ON BOARD OF FIRE REVIEW

Fire Control Officer Arnold sat on a Board of Fire Review at Yosemite National Park. Other members were Dean John Zivunski, School of Forestry and Conservation, University of California, and Mr. Robert Kerr from the Washington office.

#### MOUNTAIN HOME INMATES DONATE BLOOD

Mountain Home inmates donated 44 pints of blood and Mt. Bullion Youths contributed 38 pints of blood to local blood banks.



## FORESTRY CAREER ATTRACTS MANY AT FRESNO ORIENTATION PROGRAM

Forestry and conservation attracted large groups of junior high and high school students, competing among 42 career field areas at the Fresno City and County schools annual four-day career familiarization program.

A total of 32 orientation slide lectures were given by Division and Forest Service spokesmen during 45 minute "classes" at the Commercial Exhibits Building at the Fresno Fairgrounds on February 4-7. The event sponsored each spring by the KMJ radio and television is under auspices of the Fresno County Schools Department.

CDF speakers were Foresters Dean Schlobohm, Floyd Otter, and Dick Schoenheide, and Junior Forester Jim Radley.



Forester Dean Schlobohm explains the opportunities of forestry employment to a "full house" of students from various Fresno County Schools at the annual program.

## 25 - YEAR CLUB HAS MEETING

Ranger Frank Weatherford, President of the 25-Year Club, was host at a Directors meeting in Mariposa. Among discussion topics were plans for the forthcoming annual meeting in Fresno on April 19.

## FORESTER APPOINTED IN FRESNO

Zane G. Smith, Jr., age 35, has been named as the new Forest Supervisor of the Sierra National Forest, according to Forest Service Regional Forester J. W. Deinema in San Francisco. Smith replaces Forest Supervisor Walter Puhn who retired January 6, 1969.

The new supervisor will be responsible for the management and protection of the resources of the Sierra Forest. The Sierra National Forest with headquarters in Fresno is well known for its recreation, timber and wildlife management activities.

Supervisor Smith's career began in 1955 with various assignments on the Rogue River and Malheur National Forests in Oregon. He also has been a Job Corps Conservation Center Director on the Gifford Pinchot National Forest in Washington. In 1966, he was promoted to staff assistant in the Forest Service, Division of the Job Corps Administration in Washington, D. C. In June of last year, he was reassigned from Washington, D. C. to Deputy Forest Supervisor of the Sierra National Forest.

## TRAINING FOR RED CROSS IN DISTRICT IV

The Red Cross First Aid training program for all paid fireman and volunteers in Kings County Fire Department got underway in January under coordination of the Departmental Training Instructor. Assisting with the teaching job are Ranger Voss, two Division Foremen and three County Fire Engineers.

## RENEWED FLOODING CONDITIONS IN DO IV

Renewed flooding conditions created brief emergency operations in stricken foothill areas. Although breached and overflowing canals and flooding creeks inundated sections of several valley urban communities, flood fighting, rescue and damage control work of camp crews and field forces were generally confined to local foothill areas.



RETIREMENT PARTY HONORS ROY GADBURY  
AND JOE E. HUGHES

A joint retirement party honoring Foremen II Roy Gadbury and Joe E. Hughes was attended by more than 50 friends and fellow workers at the Paul Bunyon restaurant in Porterville on November 16.

Retirement letters from the State Forester were presented by District Camp Coordinator Tom Perkins, and personal retirement badges were handed over by Mountain Home Camp Superintendent Phil Olson. Immediately afterwards, gifts were presented by their former superintendent, Ray Little.

Roy's 17-year career was served completely in Tulare and Fresno Counties. Beginning as a Schedule "A" Driver in Tulare County in May 1951, Roy was appointed Foreman two years later and was juggled throughout the Unit on various construction projects to make use of his carpenter skills. In January 1955 he became a Foreman II but remained on the road with Mountain Home Camp at the State Forest in the summer time, and at Coalinga Station in winter quarters until the present permanent facilities were completed.

Joe also started out and retired in Tulare County, beginning 20 years ago in June 1948 as a relief Schedule "A" Driver. He was immediately promoted to Foreman and served the next six years in Tulare's Fountain Springs District. In June 1954 Joe advanced to Foreman II and was assigned to Slack Canyon Camp. In November 1955 he suffered a back injury which required surgery the next fall. In December 1958 an additional injury occurred to his back when a falling oak tree struck him, aggravating his condition. In January 1960 Joe moved to Murietta Camp and a year later transferred to Mountain Home Camp, where he served out his career. Serious complications to his injuries set in during the past two years, forcing him into terminal disability retirement.



FFII Roy Gadbury receiving his retirement badge from Superintendent P. Olson.



Superintendent P. Olson presenting Foreman Joe Hughes with his retirement badge.

MADERA RANGER UNIT TO SHOW FILMS

Madera Ranger Unit has made arrangements to show conservation films to students attending the federally operated Madera Indian Training Center.



#### FIRE PREVENTION IN GUSTINE AREA

A donated barn in the Gustine area was razed by a Mt. Bullion crew for lumber to be used to construct the CDF display building at the Los Banos Fairgrounds.

#### CDF FORCES AND CONSERVATION CREWS PRAISED FOR FLOOD SERVICES

Among the many letters of appreciation received by Division and Conservation crews for their assistance in flood fighting and repair work are the following two letters from Merced County and Fresno County:

Fresno County had this to say:

"Please accept my belated thanks for your help during the floods in late January. As I recall it was a very early hour in the morning that I called you to obtain permission to use a portion of your warehousing facilities for a public sand bagging operation."

Merced County added these words of thanks:

I wish to express my thanks for the assistance you and your staff gave to our employees yesterday, in the loading of the pipe, for this Department.

It is reassuring to know that public agencies are always ready to assist each other when an emergency arises."

#### DIRECTOR STEARNS NOTES DISTRICT IV GAINS IN SAFETY

District IV was pleased to receive the following letter from Director Stearns indicating his awareness of local efforts and gains in the field of safety:

"I want to take this opportunity to congratulate you and your staff for the achievement you have made in preventing accidents and injuries. The records show you have been runner-up for the last two years. Considering your large Schedule A operation and population

density, I consider this quite an accomplishment. Also, I see the margin of victory of District II over District IV has narrowed.

Please extend my thanks to your people, particularly those first line supervisors, who are required to see that accident prevention is carried out in the day-to-day activities.

In the years to come, I expect we will be surprised how much operations can be improved to prevent needless injuries and property damage. I encourage you to keep up your efforts.

Sincerely,

/s/

James Stearns,  
Director"

#### MT. BULLION WARDS PRAISED IN FLOOD WORK

Mt. Bullion youth crews turned out in full force to help the City of Fresno escape serious flood damage during the disastrous January runoff. Following is a text of a letter from City Manager Neil Goedhard:

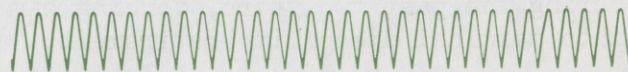
"Thank you for helping us during the recent flood. Mayor Floyd Hyde and each Councilman appreciate your quick response and the assistance of your associates in helping our Fresno City personnel during the emergency water conditions on January 25 and 26.

Your aid to our City forces lightened their burden considerably. It is citizens such as you who make Fresno an All American City.

Sincerely,

/s/

Neil Goedhard"





KINGS COUNTY OFFICIALS STILL PONDERING  
FUTURE OF CONTRACTUAL SERVICES WITH CDF

Kings County officials are still pondering the future of contractual services with the CDF, as recurring discussions and meetings continue to leave the issue undecided by the Board of Supervisors.

KINGS RANGER VOSS WORKING WITH COUNTY  
PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Kings Ranger Bob Voss has been working with the County Planning Department to establish higher minimum standards for water supply within proposed subdivisions and industrial areas for fire protection purposes.

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## **TOLL ROAD**

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**'Officer,' stormed the motorist to the policeman,  
'I clearly had the right of way when this man ran  
into me, and yet you say I'm to blame.'**

**The local officer eyed him accusingly: 'You  
certainly were.'**

**'But why?' the ruffled driver wanted to know.**

**'Because,' the officer replied, 'the Mayor of this  
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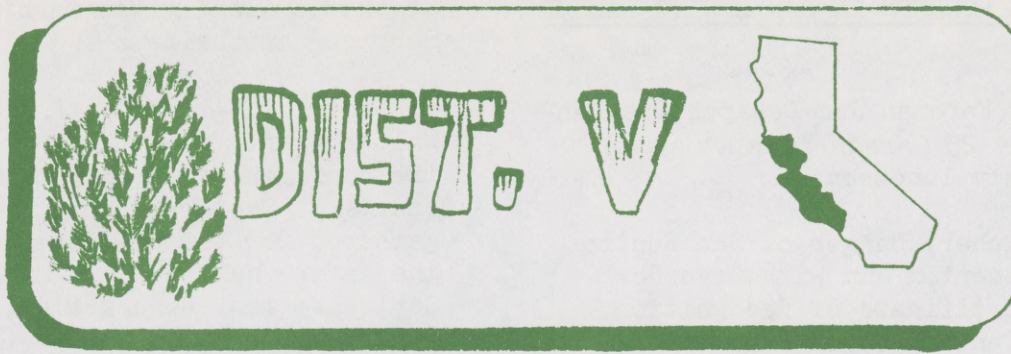
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sister.





#### SAN MATEO RANGER UNIT LOSES FIRST FEMALE EMPLOYEE

Hazel A. Barsotti, commonly referred to by many of her associates as "Ranger Barsotti" was joined by her fellow workers in a coffee and cake affair early in February at Belmont Headquarters. Hazel's retirement party was on January 9th at the "Lanai" in San Mateo, at which time she was presented a gold pendant watch and chain.

On her last official day as "Ranger Barsotti," Hazel was presented with a certificate of appreciation and a warm letter from State Forester Raymond commending her past seven years of devoted service.

Hazel joined the Division of Forestry in February of 1962 as a Clerk Typist II filling the first female position of the newly formed San Mateo Ranger Unit. Things were more than chaotic during the initial phase of this intergration and Hazel spent many hours and days putting the clerk's office into a pleasant and most effective operation.

Hazel spent most of her seven years as the only clerk with the San Mateo Ranger Unit, until the early part of 1968 when a second clerical position was established under a county contract.

Hazel, an energetic person with a very busy way of life, plans to spend her time with her husband, Charles, and her many neighbor friends in pursuing the many hobbies she is interested in at their home in Redwood City.



"Ranger Hazle" and crew as she retires.

#### DISTRICT V FORMER FOREMAN I PASSES AWAY

Val Robinson, former Foreman I in San Benito Ranger Unit passed away December 3, 1968. Val started his career with the Division of Forestry in the summer of 1953 when he went to work as a Firefighter, then to Truck Driver until 1957, when he was appointed Forestry Foreman I.

Val had been hospitalized in August for an operation and had been off recuperating when he suffered a sudden relapse.

Val Robinson did a commendable job, as will be attested by his co-workers and supervisors while serving the San Benito Ranger Unit.



#### JIM DeLAPPE HONORED IN SAN BENITO RANGER UNIT

Recently Foreman Jim DeLappe was honored for his 25 Career Year at a San Benito County luncheon.

Bill Wilcher, Ranger of San Benito County, presented Jim with Governor Reagan's Certificate of Recognition, a Quarter Century Lapel Pin, and a letter of Commendation from the State Forester citing his 25 year career.

Jim started with the Division in Monterey County and came to San Benito Ranger Unit in 1949 as a Fire Truck Driver. Jim was in charge of the Bear Valley tent camp for a couple of years and worked as the dispatcher for 5 years. At present, he has the responsibility of the Warehouse and Purchasing for the San Benito Ranger Unit.

#### CLAUDE STOCKSTILL, JR., OF DISTRICT V PASSES AWAY

Claud B. (Buddy) Stockstill, Jr., 45, Forestry Foreman I for the San Mateo Ranger Unit passed away of a heart attack at his home in San Jose in the early morning of December 20, 1968.

Buddy Stockstill has been employed with the Division for the past nine years. He was first appointed as Forest Fire Truck Driver in San Benito Ranger Unit in 1959, and in 1965 he was appointed as Forestry Foreman I and assigned to the Pescadero Forest Fire Station as Station Foreman.

#### U. S. WEATHER BUREAU FORECAST CENTER MAN RECEIVES THE GOLDEN SMOKEY CERTIFICATE

Bill Ahl, leading fire-weather meteorologist for the USWB Forecast Center in Redwood City is shown in the following photograph (third from left) with The Golden Smokey Certificate that symbolizes the Smokey

Statuette Award given to his Fire Weather Service nationwide.

District V Fire Control Officer Chuck Walter (left) made the presentation in the conference room of District V headquarters, Monterey. District V personnel gathered for the presentation are from the left: Walter, Geroge Marten, Ahl, Carl Albertus, Reno Cromer, John Otter, John Dowdakin, Jan Watkins, Pauline Schauman, and Shirley Haines.

Bill, a personable friendly man, is a 23 year veteran meteorologist who took charge of the Central Coast Forecast Office in May 1968 just before it moved to Redwood City from San Francisco International Airport.



#### BEN LOMOND NURSERY

To date, 962,400 seedlings have been shipped on 491 orders. Rainfall of 32 inches during the latter half of the month greatly hampered lifting operations.

#### CUESTA CONSERVATION CAMP

Approximately 20 crew days were expended on flood cleanup work at Pismo Beach State Park and along the creek in which the City of Pismo Beach sewage disposal plant is located.



## TWO SUBTROPICAL STORMS DUMP AN UNPRECEDENTED AMOUNT OF RAIN IN DISTRICT V

Two subtropical storms experienced in last January dumped unprecedented amounts of rain in the southern part of the District. The weather station at the San Luis Obispo R. U. Headquarters recorded over 21 inches of precipitation during the month of January. The result was widespread flooding and heavy damage from erosion and siltation. Damage, however, would have been much more severe had the watersheds been in their normal condition. Due to good growing conditions during the fall, grassland watersheds, which occupy vast areas, were in exceptionally good condition and greatly modified runoff patterns. Had it not been for these optimum conditions and a few flood control dams, the damage would have been incalculable.

## ALLEN W. DAY RETIRES IN DISTRICT V

Forestry Foreman II Allen W. Day, who is recognized as one of the original old-time fire stompers of District V, retired on February 1, 1969. Some 80 fellow employees and friends gathered at the Elks Lodge building in Santa Cruz on February 8 to give Al a just and appropriate send-off.

A prime-rib dinner with all of the trimmings was served, followed by a lively program recapitulating The Al Day Story in cartoon form. Forestry Superintendent Wilbur Wade acted as Master of Ceremonies for the gala affair. Al was presented with numerous gifts, letters and certificates of commendation honoring his 29 years of dedicated service in the Division.

Al started his forestry career in 1940 as Fire Suppression Crew Foreman for \$65 a month, board and lodging furnished. During the duration of World War II, Al served as Assistant State Forest Ranger in Santa Cruz County. He completed his career as Forestry Foreman II at Ben Lomond Youth Conservation Camp. Under Al Day's guidance, many of the young men assigned to Ben Lomond

were redirected to a better way of life, and many conservation projects and park and beach improvements in the area were completed.

Al Day has certainly given District V a legacy worthy of all emulation.



Superintendent Wilbur Wade gives retiring Foreman Al Day a special sign as a souvenir.

## FIRE PREVENTION MATERIAL TRANSLATED INTO SPANISH LANGUAGE

The Defense Language Institute translated into Spanish two single-page handouts, Hazard Reduction Tips and Trash Burning Tips. The DLI also wrote a Spanish version of OEO material submitted by District VI.

## RISK ANALYSIS PORTION OF THE FIRE PREVENTION PLAN COMPLETED IN DO V

The District Fire Control Ranger worked with personnel of Santa Barbara County and San Luis Obispo, San Mateo and Santa Cruz R. U.'s to complete the Risk Analysis portion of the Fire Plan revision. Updating of the San Luis Obispo R. U. Presuppression Plan section of OIP was also completed.



NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE MAINTENANCE  
COURSE "A" PRESENTED IN DISTRICT V

Walt Harkness made a presentation of the newly developed Automotive Vehicle Maintenance Course "A" to the District V Training Committee and the four Equipment Maintenance Foremen. Presentation of this course to all employees who operate automotive equipment has been scheduled.

DISTRICT V RANGERS MEET WITH SOIL  
CONSERVATION SERVICE PERSONNEL

Rangers Dunwoody and Walter met with Soil Conservation Service personnel at Concord to review fire protection measures for a number of P.L. 566 Projects in Contra Costa and Santa Clara Counties.

SLACK CANYON CONSERVATION CAMP

Crews had the opportunity to practice flood control work in their own back yard. On the night of January 20, it was necessary to call out the inmates and effect flood control measures to protect the camp facilities. The local creek outgrew its banks following several hours of heavy rainfall threatening several facilities. Most of the activity was centered around the trailer court where a culvert in a side drainage was not adequate to carry the water. Water flowed over the area cutting banks. Emergency measures were taken to divert the water and no damage was done to any of the trailers.

Other measures were taken to divert a heavy silt run-off into the main camp area. Mud reportedly covered the lawn area in front of Forestry office from this run-off. However, it did not enter any buildings and no structural damage was reported.

Crews assisted the City of Soledad in flood control operations. The city's sewage plant was in immediate danger of flooding and we were asked to help with our crews. Slack Canyon crews provided the necessary manpower to construct emergency barriers to protect the facility.

RANCHITA RANGE STUDY

Extremely heavy, reoccurring rainfall in the San Luis Obispo R. U. washed out all roads leading to the Ranchita Range Study area. Considerable erosion damage is expected on the project as the result of county road construction above the site.

BEN LOMOND YOUTH CONSERVATION CAMP

A tree fell on the new Ben Lomond Equipment Building during one of the recent storms. Once the tree was removed, it was determined that the damage wasn't serious. It was confined to the gutter and fascia boards, plus a section of the roof covering. Emergency repairs are in progress amounting to a little over \$300.

A great deal of the camp's activity during January was devoted to catching up on work on State Parks under the Inter-Agency Agreement. Crews were utilized at campsite and parking lot clearing on the Big Basin State Park, campsite and fence line clearing on the Henry Cowell State Park and campsite clearing and trail construction on the Butano State Park.

A FELICIDADE ESTA' EM IR AO BRASIL  
(HAPPINESS IS GOING TO BRAZIL)

Bob Quadro, son of District V FPO Frank Quadro, is spending a year in Fortealeza, Brazil under the auspices of the American Field Services Foreign Student Program.

From over 6,000 applicants, Bob was one of the few lucky young persons in this nation to be chosen by the AFS for this coveted, once-in-a-lifetime-opportunity.

The notice that Bob was to go to Brazil and live for a year with his new Brazilian family came in early January and his instructions were that he had ten days to be there. At first the Quadro family went wild with joy but the short deadline soon threw the household into quite a hectic schedule; passports, shots, Portuguese



lesson, geography lessons, letters and phone calls, farewell parties, shopping for clothes, checking with the draft board, seeing the family physician and dentist, being interviewed by the press, etc., etc., etc., kept the family on the run, and, of course, advice from everybody added to the confusion.

Bob, 17, a Pacific Grove High School Senior, and an honor student for seven straight years, had more than enough credits to graduate and was presented with a special ahead-of-time high school diploma. He has his third school Letter in swimming and was well on the way to earning his fourth Letter for establishing new school records in the back-stroke, individual medley and as a member of two record breaking relay teams. A math major, Bob is an accomplished musician and was to have gone to this year's State Honor Bank as Bass-Clarinetist. He also plays the folk guitar and reed recorder.

Bob's talents are self-made and were not inherited from his father, Frank, who admits that he can't even pucker to whistle and only touches water when he occasionally bathes.

Boa Sorte, Roberto! Va' com Deus!



Bob Quadro is explaining to a Monterey Peninsula Herald Reporter how he won his chance to go to Brazil, as father Frank beams with pride, and Mrs. Honna Ward, President of the Pacific Grove AFS listens.

#### DISTRICT V FACES FIRST IN OIL SLICK SITUATION

A new and certainly very different activity for the Division of Forestry was conducted during the month of February when a huge oil slick developed along the coastlines of Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties. To help prevent serious damage to the very popular beaches from oil washed up on the sand from tide and wind actions, the Division was called upon to organize and direct a large scale operation to soak up oil with application of straw and talc which were then raked into piles, loaded on trucks and hauled to dumps. CDC crews and CDF personnel from all over the State were brought in to assist with this project. In many respects the entire project was conducted as a campaign fire operation, including inmates, correctional officers and CDF personnel.

In addition to spreading and raking straw, huge beach areas were cleared of oil covered kelp and debris that had washed to sea when flooded streams carried all types of floating material from the surrounding areas.

#### LETTER OF APPRECIATION FROM CITIZEN REGARDING DISTRICT V

The following letter was received by Director Stearns on January 21, 1969:

"Dear Mr. Stearns:

This morning headed towards Santa Cruz from Los Gatos I had a flat tire about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile south of the Alma Fire Station. I thought that you would like to know that they were very courteous in helping me contact the National Auto Club for emergency service.

You should also know that the general appearance of the station was clean and a credit to the department.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely,  
/s/  
Wendell P. Hammon









#### DISTRICT VI TRAINING CENTERS REVIEWED

On January 16, 1969, Ranger Cain, Superintendent Bushnell, and Assistant Ranger Mills inspected the Bautista Training Facility to review preparations for the coming Annual Conservation Crew Training Activity.

#### FORESTRY TRAINING PROGRAMS IN DISTRICT VI

During the month ending January 20, 1969, a total of 31 trainees were graduated from the Forestry Training Program. Some 30 men were transferred to outlying camps from Phase II Training, and 9 men were removed for various reasons. 332 man-days were devoted to Phase II Training. Assistant Ranger Jon Rolland has been assigned as Safety Training Officer for this Unit. He will develop and present specialized Safety Training Programs for the staff.

#### CDF WORKS WITH SAN BERNARDINO CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

The CDF worked with the San Bernardino City Police Department in putting on law enforcement question and type programs at four Junior High Schools. We believe that the results, with at least a few of the students, were favorable in reminding or introducing them to laws that might at some time affect their lives.

#### VISUAL AIDS SECTION AT FORESTRY TRAINING UNIT COMPLETED TRAINING CHARTS TO BE USED IN FILM

The visual aids section at the Forestry Training Unit has completed training charts for the new Fire Training Film, "Campaign Fire." This section was also instrumental in completing the "Training Tips" for dozer operations.

#### LAW ENFORCEMENT IN DISTRICT VI

A recent law enforcement case, in San Bernardino, involved a company using a piece of equipment without a spark arrestor and a fire consequently occurred. After 6 months of various delays, the Court forgot to send out subpoenas two times in a row and, consequently, the case was continued.

#### TRUMAN HOLLAND ANNOUNCES HIS RETIREMENT

State Forest Ranger Truman Holland of Riverside County has announced his retirement and Ranger Elmer Chambers formerly of Calaveras County has been selected to fill the position.

#### PINE COVE SCHEDULE "A" STATION OFFICIALLY DEDICATED

The Pine Cove Schedule "A" Station was officially dedicated on 2-16-69. Supervisor McCall, Ranger Holland and local community leaders attended. Riverside County Board of Supervisors are presently drafting a no burning ordinance focused on reduction of air pollution rather than the fire hazard problem, but indirectly may effect trash caused fires.





## OPERATION BOMBERO

Operation Bombero brought 127 firemen from all over the Country of Mexico to Colton and the surrounding areas to train, work, and live for one week. The Bomberos received training in rescue operations, with emphasis on basic first aid and casualty handlings. In addition to the selected Bomberos, 150 American firemen also received specialized training in rescue operations. "Operation Bombero" was sponsored by the Citrus Belt Fire Chiefs' Association and this years program was considered one of the best. CDF facilities in San Bernardino and Riverside Counties were utilized to accommodate several of the Bomberos. Most of the funds for feeding were raised by Volunteer Fire Departments.

## OAK GLEN CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CENTER HAS HECTIC WEEK DURING RECENT STORMS

It was a hectic time for corpsmen and staff at the Oak Glen Civilian Conservation Center. Like many other residents of California during the recent storm they were busy protecting their own living and working quarters, while also demonstrating a concern for their neighbors.

The first Monday of the storm utility lines were inoperative at the camp. This meant not only complete darkness but no heat throughout the buildings. To complicate the situation the Oak Glen road was being severely damaged by the turbulent streams. There was no prospect of replenishing the almost depleted butane supply.

Because of this bleak situation, the Camp was evacuated late Monday, February 24. Arrangements were made to house and feed the 140 corpsmen and supervising staff at Norton Air Force Base in San Bernardino.

At dusk a weary and wet group of corpsmen and staff headed for Norton in all available Center vehicles, including several private vehicles. A skeleton crew remained at the Camp to clear roads of snow that was rap-

idly melting and creating a danger of flooding into basements and other structures. Earlier in the day, corpsmen worked in non-stop crews to clear the roof of the Education Building to prevent structural damage.

On Tuesday, February 25, approximately 20 of the corpsmen and staff returned to the Center for clean-up and continued flood prevention and, by this time, to begin road repair work. The remainder of the corpsmen remained at Norton Air Force Base with their headquarters in the gymnasium. Because of the rapidly approaching impassibility of the access road the crews were forced to once again evacuate the Center. While passing through the Cherry Valley area, the crews were employed in emergency evacuation of flood victims. Here the young men aided in carrying people, pets and belongings to buses and helicopters. They also assisted in settling the residents of a trailer park into a community shelter. That evening the crews were sheltered at the National Guard Armory in the City of Banning.

On Wednesday and Thursday crews consisting of 10 - 16 men were on emergency flood work in the Riverside and San Bernardino areas.

By Friday the Camp was totally involved in clean-up in full force. Calimesa had one crew, Loma Linda has three, and Cherry Valley had one. On Sunday, two crews remained in Loma Linda.

The new week of Monday, March 3, began with a crew in Cherry Valley, Calimesa and three in Loma Linda still on "digging out" emergency operations. Tuesday, with two crews in Loma Linda on indefinite duty, the Camp had its closest day to normal since the unprecedented storm began. For the first day all corpsmen assigned to school week, went to school. The corpsmen working on vocations scattered to the heavy equipment, the kitchen, the auto shop, and to their maintenance and construction areas. But, even with the routine at normal and the storm behind by several days, heads continually lifted-up, scanning the sky for signs of clouds.





Some scenes of the crews hard at  
work during the disaster.



#### DOG GIVEN TO DON LUGO CAMP FOR APPRECIATION

Sebastian, a Saint Bernard, was given to the Don Lugo Camp by the grateful residents of Modjeska Canyon in appreciation of the fine, hard work the men of Don Lugo performed during the flood.



Sebastian is being introduced to William Young, Camp Administrator.

#### INMATE RECEIVES COMMENDATION FROM FORESTRY SUPERINTENDENT

The following letter explains certain actions displayed by inmate Raymond Hanson, A88833, while enroute to flood operation in the Silverado Canyon area of Orange County:

"You are to be commended for heroic and meritorious action displayed in effecting a rescue under the most formidable of circumstances.

During the afternoon of January 28, 1969, while enroute with the Camp Don Lugo kitchen crew to the disastrous Silverado Canyon flood scene, a camper truck was observed on the side of the road with a man pinned underneath. Because of the hazardous and crowded road conditions, it was impossible for your Forestry Foreman, John Neff, to halt the kitchen vehicle without causing an even more hazardous situation.

Foreman Neff did, however, stop the truck long enough for you to jump off and attempt to render immediate assistance to the man pinned under the camper. You, together with three women also on the scene, managed to manually lift the camper truck enough to free the man pinned underneath. By the time Foreman Neff had safely parked the kitched vehicle and returned to the scene, you had completely controlled the situation. As Foreman Neff stated in his commendation to you, "This swift emergency action and cool presence of mind and command effected a rescue and prevented possible fatal injury to the man pinned beneath the camper."

Your conduct in this situation is worthy of the highest praise. Please accept the thanks and appreciation of the entire Department for a job well done.

W. T. Stone  
Superintendent

#### WILDLAND MANAGEMENT

At a regular meeting of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors on February 10, 1969, it was recommended that a continuation of current programs whereby the Board participates and shares costs of reseeding burned brush lands. The Watershed Resources Advisory Commission received a favorable recommendation from the Board to encourage back country land owners to continue controlled burns. However, the Board indicated they would postpone Board sponsorship of legislation pertaining to liability insurance for those back country landowners.

#### FORESTRY FOREMAN I JOHN SLEPPY INJURED

Forestry Foreman I John Sleppy of Orange Ranger Unit was injured seriously in an earth slide in Silverado Canyon at the Silverado Schedule "C" Station. He has a fractured skull, broken and crushed ribs, broken shoulder, and broken hip. Mrs. Sleppy was also seriously injured, but both are improving.



DISTRICT VI PERSONNEL RECEIVE LETTERS  
OF GRATITUDE FROM COOPERATING AGENCIES

The following two letters were received by District VI personnel:

"Sirs:

We, of the San Jacinto Volunteer Fire Department wish to thank your Department for your most valuable assistance in the recent theater fire here. We fully realize that without your help, our Department would not have been able to contain the fire without greatly increased loss.

Please be assured that we stand ready to assist your Department in any way possible. Thanks again.

Sincerely,  
SAN JACINTO VOLUNTEER  
FIRE DEPARTMENT  
ART HAZELTINE, CHIEF"

"Dear Mr. Majors:

The City of San Jacinto had a crippling fire on downtown Main Street in 1952, burning all commercial buildings over one-half of the block. It took the city many years to recuperate from that blow.

Last night (after midnight) a second recurrence of fire in the same block very nearly repeated history. The fire in the vacant theater building on Main Street in the same location would have burned the entire block had it not been for the excellent assistance supplied by the men of your Department. The policy of joint powers agreement is a wonderful thing. However, when help is extended at off hours and under trying conditions, we are very gratified.

In behalf of the City Council of San Jacinto I wish to express our gratitude and sincere thanks for the cooperation extended in preventing a conflagration of our downtown area. The possibility of losing the heart of our city at a time like this

would have been devastating to say the least. We hope we can extend the same assistance should you ever need our help, yet, wish that you will never be faced with such a dire circumstance.

We thank you and the men of your Department.

Sincerely,  
/s/  
SAM KALFAYAN  
City Manager"

ASSEMBLYMAN JOHN BRIGGS WRITES HIS  
APPRECIATION FOR WORK DONE BY PILOT  
ROCK CONSERVATION CAMP

The following letter was received in District VI from Assemblyman John V. Briggs:

"Dear Mr. Schori:

Thank you very much for the fine job you did on cutting down the diseased trees on my property.

You and your team are to be commended for your proficient and able accomplishment, and I am very appreciative of your efforts.

Again, my thanks,

Sincerely,  
/s/  
John V. Briggs"

ORANGE COUNTY DISASTER

Orange County experienced a major disaster due to excessive rainfall, and severe flooding, and loss of property and lives in the unincorporated areas of Silverado, Modjeska, and Trabuco Canyons. Property losses to governmental agencies will probably exceed 5 million dollars to flood control, road sanitation, and water facilities in the south and east part of the county. Property losses were in the millions in the unincorporated areas alone. Five people lost their lives in the Silverado Schedule "C" Station.



#### FIRE PREVENTION ACTIVITIES IN DISTRICT VI

A fire prevention float was constructed by Don Lugo and entered by the San Bernardino Ranger Unit in the Highland Avenue Businessmen's Parade along with a fire truck and dozer unit.

San Bernardino also entered Smokey and a fire truck in the Redlands Christmas parade.

Jack Lemmon, Hollywood star, recently obtained a Model Rocket Permit from the San Antonio Station and transported it to the desert in his Jaguar XKE.

The Pilot Program of Fire Prevention with Head Start classes in Riverside County has been put into effect. Forty Head Start classes will participate in the initial program which will be evaluated for its effectiveness and feasibility.

#### RECENTLY RETIRED FPO CHUCK SWEETWOOD GUEST OF HONOR

Recently retired FPO II Chuck Sweetwood was guest of honor at a commemorative dinner at the El Cajon Elks Lodge on December 21. Sweetwood completed 27 years of State service before suffering a heart attack.

#### SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY IS SUED FOR DAMAGES

San Diego reports the following news item appeared in the San Diego Union Newspaper 2-24-69. "Owners Ask For Damages In Fire Suit - Owners of property damaged by a brush fire on 10-30-68, have filed suit against the San Diego Gas & Electric Company for more than \$431,000 damages. The suit contends the Company was negligent in maintaining a 12,000 Volt power line which snapped and started the blaze."

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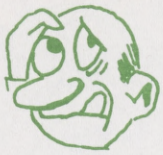
## IS HAT SO?

A brisk wind caught the feather-bedecked  
hat of a woman and whirled it high into the air.

'Oh, dear,' she cried. 'Run and see if you  
can get it back for me , George.'

'I think that would be tampering with nature,'  
said her husband. 'The poor thing is probably trying  
to go south.'





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"Say, isn't that the reporter who came to get our 'perfect - safety - record' story?"

National Safety News, February 1969



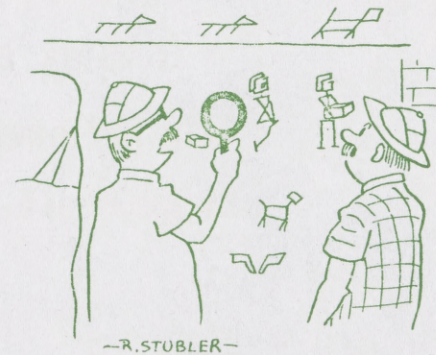
DON'T MAKE OUR COUNTRY A DUMPING GROUND

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"-- and man says pigeons 'fowl' up parks!"

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"Seems the poor chap dropped something on his foot. Didn't have safety shoes then, you know."



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# MISC.

## ROBERT GREEN RECEIVES LETTER UPON HIS PROMOTION

The following letter was received by Mr. Robert Green as a result of his recent promotion to the Sacramento Headquarters:

"Dear Mr. Green:

It is with particular pride that I express to you deep appreciation for the major contribution you have made to the success of the Oak Glen Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center. Although your transfer is recognized as a definite move ahead in your chosen career, your presence will be missed by all of us, both as related to your outstanding performance of duty and your warm personal relationships.

As Center Director at Oak Glen you had the unique distinction of pioneering the State Related Centers element of the Job Corps Program. The smoothness of the transformation from the California Youth Conservation and Training Program in May of 1965 was such that Oak Glen readily became one of the early active Job Corps Centers. Through your capable management and strong devotion the Center has grown from the initial 83 enrollees to a capacity of 170.

You not only coordinated the construction of new facilities and the renovation of existing structures, but you served as the catalytic agent in the total program. A well balanced design for education, vocational training, work projects and counseling has

resulted. This all serves as a credit to your abilities to organize your staff and to provide the Corpsmen the leadership they need and seek. In all areas you have produced results of excellent quality.

Please accept my thanks for a job well done. I hope you find continued success in your future endeavors.

Sincerely  
/s/  
W. P. Kelly  
Director  
Job Corps "

## FEDERAL EMPLOYEE GETS A \$250,000 A YEAR ADVERTISING BUILDUP?

Which Federal employee will get a \$250,000 advertising buildup this year? Right: Smokey the Bear.

## CDFEA NEWS

The following officers were elected at the last California Division of Forestry Employee's Association meeting:

State Director - Bill Crookshanks;  
Alternate State Director - Ray Caldwell;  
Treasurer - Jim Wagner.

Also, the membership of the CDFEA is now pushing 1800 members. Both Lew Moran and Mel Pomponio joined at the December annual Convention in Anaheim. The members voted to hold the line of dues to \$1.50 per month.

Following the December 6-8 convention, the CDFEA Board set the following





priorities based on resolutions adopted by the membership at large:

1. Retirement - \*Reference: Retirement 5 and Retirement Committee Recommendation. \*Reference refers by committee to resolutions adopted by the full membership at the Convention.

2. Salary Reference: Personnel & Civil Service 1-C, P&CS 2, P&CS 11 and 11A.

3. Shorter Duty Week with Emphasis on the firefighter Reference: P&CS 2, P&CS 10A, P&CS 29.

4. Reclassification & Title Study Reference: HR 247, P&CS 10A.

5. Job-incurred Sick Leave Reference: Insurance 1B and P&CS 13A.

#### OROVILLE JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB DONATES SMOKEY BEAR OFFICIAL COSTUME

The Oroville Junior Women's Club purchased and donated an Official Smokey Bear Costume to the Butte County Ranger Unit.

#### 38 YEAR FOREST SERVICE VETERAN RETIRES

Russell W. Bower, 63, Forest Fire Control program planner and analyst for the U. S. Forest Service, will retire after 38 years of service, J. W. Deinema, Regional Forester for the National Forests of California, made the announcement at the Forest Service Regional Office in San Francisco.

Deinema noted that Bower's career started as a seasonal employee in the late 1920's. In 1933 he received an appointment as a Junior Forester. From 1934 to 1944 he served as District Ranger on the Tahoe and Klamath National Forests at Grass Valley and Yreka. Bower also had other assignments including Forest Engineer and Timber Staff Officer on the Modoc and Plumas National Forests. He also served two years as Forest Supervisor of the Klamath Forest. In 1958 he was reassigned to the San Francisco office

as a fire control staff planner. Deinema stated that Bower has been responsible for writing guidelines on fire control planning systems, firebreaks, fuelbreaks, and type conversion of brushlands. He stated that Bower's guidelines have aided foresters in pre-planning their forest fire protection activities throughout the nation.

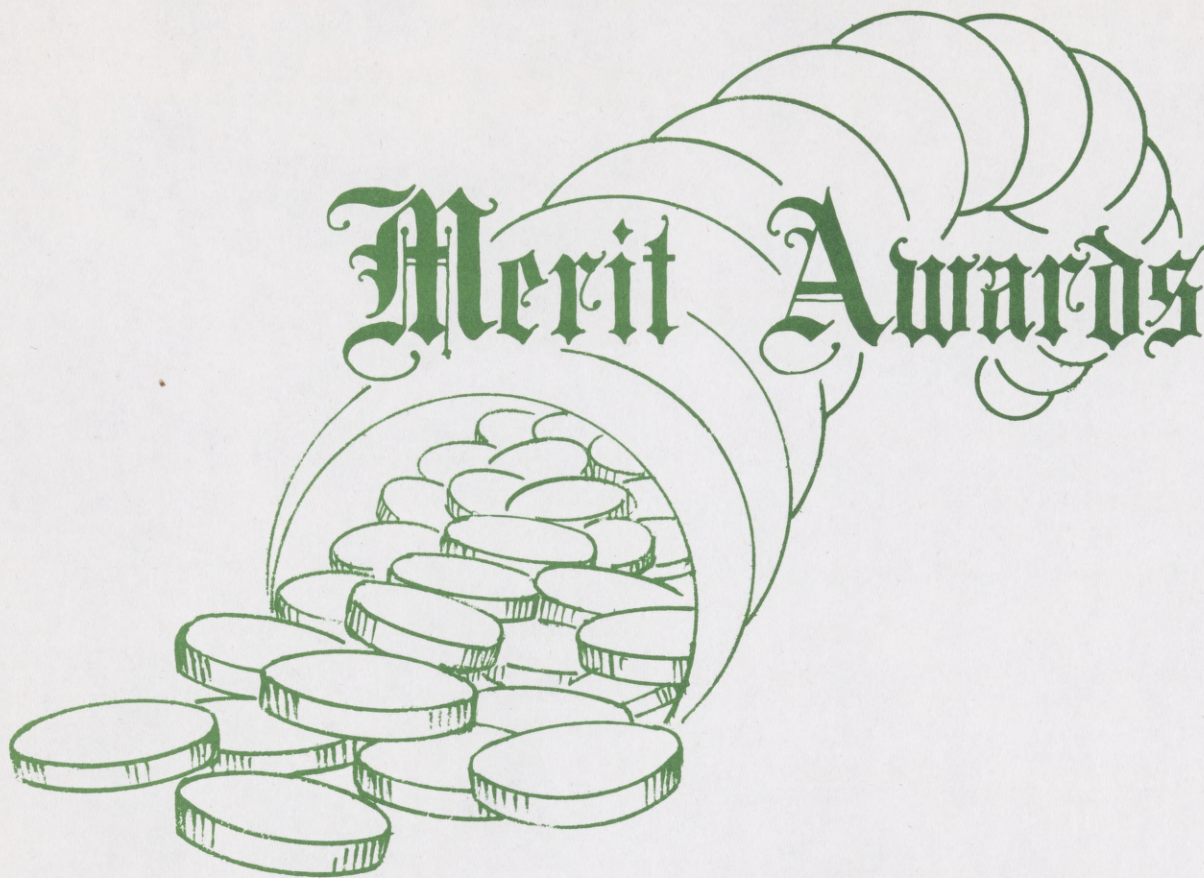
#### SETTLEMENT IN FIRE CASES

The Department of Justice has just concluded, on behalf of the U. S. Forest Service, the settlement of three large forest fire cases that have been pending in federal courts in San Francisco and Sacramento for a number of years. Irwin E. Bosworth, Forest Supervisor of the Eldorado National Forest, Placerville, stated that this is the largest settlement ever received for suppression costs and resource damage resulting from a forest fire in California.

The Forest Service has received in the settlement approximately \$787,000 in cash and a total of 1,278 acres of land valued in excess of \$1,000,000. The land consists of several parcels of prime recreation and timber lands in northern El Dorado County, within the Eldorado National Forest. The land is adjacent to reservoirs operated by Sacramento Municipal Utility District, as part of the Upper American River Project. Supervisor Bosworth stated that the Forest Service will develop some of these parcels for recreational use.

The three forest fires that occurred in 1959, were in the Ice House Fire and the Camp Seven (also known as Jaybird) Fire in El Dorado County, and the Mountain House Fire in Sierra County. Defendants in the Ice House case were Sacramento Municipal Utility District, Bechtel Corporation, and McCammon and King Company; in the Camp Seven case, SMUD, Bechtel, and Collins Electrical Company; and in the Mountain House case, Pacific Gas and Electric Company. The settlement was on behalf of all defendants in all three cases.





FRESNO EMPLOYEE RECEIVES  
MABS AWARD

Mr. Charles E. Rapp, Accountant I, in Fresno suggested that State contracts and price schedules contain detailed instructions for proper routing and submission of Subpurchase Orders and vendor's invoices for payment.

The Office of Procurement has adopted as much of this suggestion as pertains to that office. It notes that since invoicing instructions are shown on the Subpurchase Order, the responsibility for properly instructing the contractor on this phase of the transaction rests with the ordering agency.

Mr. Rapp was awarded a \$10 cash award for his suggestion.



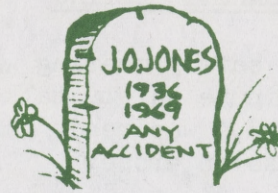
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# SAFETY



## IF YOU'VE BEEN AWAY - DON'T COME BACK ON A MONDAY

Monday syndrome-- Medical authority has at last confirmed what personnel directors and safety specialists have known for a long time--that Monday is the worst day of the week to return to the job after an illness, injury, or vacation, and that it is unwise to have new employees or transferred employees to begin a new job on Monday. Dr. O. Tod Mallery, medical director of Employers Insurance of Wausau, has disclosed a relationship between Mondays and such industrial reverses as a high incidence of accidents, lower production, and increased cost of production. As a consequence, physicians have been advised to reconsider prescribing Mondays as back-to-work days for patients recovering from illnesses and injuries, and to suggest instead middle-of-the-week days for return to work. It is preferable to have a patient return to work or a new employee begin work on a Thursday or Friday and have the advantage of a weekend's rest before barging into a full week's work.

## SEAT BELT MYTHS VS. FACTS

Myth: If my car catches fire, seat belts are likely to trap me.

Fact: Seat belts can be released in a few seconds, and less than one in a hundred accidents involve fire. Also, you are more likely to be conscious in a serious accident if you wear your seat belt, which is a prerequisite for getting out.

Myth: I am better off if I am thrown clear of the car.

Fact: In an accident, your chances of being killed are five times greater, if you're thrown from the car.

Myth: I don't need safety belts for just driving around my neighborhood.

Fact: About 75% of traffic deaths occur within 25 miles of home.

### Further Facts:

- 1) Using belts with shoulder harness can reduce driver fatalities by 83%.
- 2) Shoulder belts prevent front seat passengers from slamming into the dash board, steering wheel or windshield.
- 3) A crash stop going only 15 mph can kill a child who is not wearing special restraints.
- 4) If all drivers wore seat belts, there would be 10,000 fewer deaths and one million fewer injuries a year in the United States.

### Questions:

- 1) Do you have belts in your private car(s)?
- 2) Are you wearing them wherever you are driving or riding?

### Safety Strategy:

Use belts to put the odds of not receiving injuries from driving in your favor.





## ACCIDENTS BREAK UP SAFETY MEETING

The subject of a safety meeting was ACCIDENTS. The 5-minute safety talk, "Accidents are Caused," was read. Afterward a heated discussion arose.

During the lull, one member raised his hand to ask a question and accidentally knocked a coat off a rack which fell over the head of a second member. While removing the garment, the temporarily blinded member struck the window behind him with his elbow, scattering glass on the floor.

While picking up glass, two others received slight cuts, so the group leader got a push broom. In the crowded room, either the broom handle, or another member moving out of the way, dislodged a fire extinguisher which fell, spraying the group with chemicals.

The member who originally had raised his hand said he had forgotten what he was going to say and instead complained about the cold air coming in the window. Since there is no cure for the common cold, the meeting was adjourned.

P.S. One might wonder what kind of accident-injury record this company had.

## STOP KILLING YOURSELF NO "BUTTS" ABOUT IT--GET SMART AND QUIT WEED

by Peter J. Steincrohn, M.D.

Dear Dr. Steincrohn: I know all the hazards of cigarette smoking but I just can't seem to quite. I have cut down on cigarettes. Smoke about from 15 to 20 a day.

However, I go to my doctor for periodic chest X-rays and heart examinations, including electrocardiograms. So far everything seems to be all right. What are the odds against a heart attack or lung cancer if I continue in this manner? Mrs. P.

Most Agree

Statistics vary, and odds vary. But everyone seems to agree the odds-- whatever they are-- go against you. Just the other day I read that the chances of the heavy smoker getting heart or artery disease are 100 to 1 as compared with the nonsmoker. That is quite high, as odds go; but even if exaggerated, the basic truth is there: You were getting in way over your head in a no-limit game.

As for lung cancer, I guess you know it is pretty much accepted by the profession that it is a direct threat to cigarette smokers. The more years and the more cigarettes, the greater the likelihood of cancerous invasion of the lung.

I do not know how long you have been smoking, Mrs. P., nor how old you are. You say you have "cut down" to about a pack a day. Therefore, I assume you were at least a two-pack-a-day smoker. Perhaps three.

Stop- Entirely  
Now the next step is to stop entirely. For it has been shown that the chances brighten even if smokers with a long history at last quit.

Do not depend entirely upon your physical checkups. Once every year or two is insufficient degree of protection. Examinations only salve your conscience; they do not prevent the onset of disease-- but are helpful in discovering it early.

## HE'S NOT LION!

A young lion, shipped to a small city's zoo, felt quite superior to an old lion in the next cage who did nothing but loaf and lie around. "That's no way for a lion to act!" he thought, so he paced up and down, roared at visitors and clawed the bars of his cage. When the keeper threw a big hunk of steak to the old lion, but gave the new arrival only two bananas and a bag of peanuts, the young lion complained: "I don't get it. I work at being a lion, and look what happens. You lie there like a rug and get a full meal."

"Young fellow," the old lion said tolerantly, "this is a small town and a small zoo. The budget can't stand two lions. You're booked in here as a monkey."